

TAFT STANDS SOLID FOR THE TAX

Evidences of Friction Between President and the Tariff Conferees

WILL NOT ABANDON HIS POSITION

President Assured of Sufficient Votes to Keep the Corporation Tax Amendment in the Tariff Bill—Wednesday Night's Conference at White House Not Held at Request of the President.

Washington, July 15.—Slight but unmistakable evidences of friction between the president and the conferees on the tariff bill today began to disturb the hitherto pleasant relations existing between the White House and the capitol. A last effort has been made by the conferees to induce the president to consent to the striking out of the corporation tax amendment without success. The president not only told Senator Aldrich and Chairman Payne he would not withdraw from his position in favor of the tax but that he was assured of sufficient votes to keep the provision in the bill and to insure its adoption in both houses. The president reiterated this position to several of his callers today and is said to have told them that he had been absolutely confident from the first of the enactment of this tax into law.

Wednesday Night's Conference Not at President's Suggestion.

Pain was taken at the White House today to make it clear that President Taft did not send for Messrs. Aldrich and Payne on the occasion of last night's conference, despite the intimation given out in legislative circles that these two leaders had been summoned by Mr. Taft upon word reaching his ears that the corporation tax was about to be dashed to pieces on the rocks.

The conference, it was said at the White House, had been sought by the legislative conferees, who reported to their colleagues today that Mr. Taft stood solidly for the tax and would not retreat from his aggressive position regarding it.

HOUSE DEMOCRATS KICKED

Against the \$25,000 for President's Traveling Expenses.

Washington, July 15.—After a lively debate the democrats in the house failed today in their efforts to have a provision brought in by Mr. Taft appropriating \$25,000 for President Taft's traveling expenses ruled out or stricken out of an urgent deficiency bill. The latter measure was under consideration throughout the session and will be the subject of further discussion tomorrow.

Members of the democratic side were unsympathetic in their charges of bad faith because the house at the last session, they alleged, pledged itself not to make any additional allowances to the president. This was vigorously denied by Chairman Tamm and his colleague on the appropriations committee, Mr. Smith, of Iowa.

Aside from this phase of the case the opponents of the appropriation saw no necessity for it, it being alleged that the president had not requested it. Mr. Rainey of Illinois gave as the reason for his presentation of this bill the desire of the president to "boost" the league of republican clubs throughout the country. John Hays Hammond, he said, had been invited to go along and make speeches.

The house adjourned at 5.22 p. m. until tomorrow.

STREET FIGHTING IN TEHRAN

Between Persian Cossacks and Nationalists—Insurgents in Ascendancy.

Teheran, Persia, July 15.—Despite the efforts of General Liakhoff, the military governor of Teheran, to open negotiations with the nationalist leaders and the agreement of both sides to cease hostilities, street fighting was in progress throughout the day between the Persian Cossacks and the nationalists around Artillery square and between the royalist bakhtiars and the newly arrived nationalists and revolutionary bakhtiars.

The insurgents, however, continue in the ascendancy.

London, July 15.—A despatch to the Times from Teheran says that all day long a party of Cossacks at the Russian bank was heavily engaged with the nationalists, of whom four were killed and several injured.

LEFT HIS WIDOW \$12,000,000.

Will of President Taft's Summer Landlord Filed in Probate Court.

Salem, Mass., July 15.—The will of Robert C. Evans, President Taft's summer landlord, was filed in the probate court here today. The will, which was made in 1907, left his wife, Mrs. Evans, a sum of \$12,000,000, to his widow, according to information made public when the will was filed in the probate court this afternoon. Upon Mrs. Evans' death the estate is to be divided between his heirs and hers. Mr. Evans, besides owning Woodbury Point, President Taft's summer home, was a large holder of other real estate and mining properties.

STRIKE LEADERS IN BOX CAR.

Held There Under Arrest—Quiet at Pressed Steel Car Works.

Pittsburg, July 15.—With 22 alleged strike leaders under arrest, held together in a box car, and the Pennsylvania state constabulary overawing the 3,500 strikers by the free use of riot maces and revolvers, comparative quiet reigned at midnight at the plants of the Pressed Steel Car Co. at Pressburg, Pa., near here, where the employees struck last Wednesday for a different working agreement.

Haddam Neck Residents Burned.

Haddam Neck, Conn., July 15.—Fire today destroyed a house and its contents here belonging to Mrs. Margaret Hendricks of Newark, N. J., the loss amounting to \$1,200, with \$300 insurance. The fire started in the upper part of the house from an unknown cause during the absence of the family. Among the things lost was \$125 in bills belonging to Mrs. Hendricks which had been placed in a trunk on the second floor.

Steamship Arrivals.

At Harve, July 15: La Savole, from New York.

At Lhas, July 9: Lithuania, from New York.

At Genoa, July 11: Tomaso Di Salvo, from New York.

Cabled Paragraphs

Nimes, France, July 15.—The monument erected here to Bernard Lazare, the first defender of Alfred Dreyfus, was demolished last night. The bust of M. Lazare was broken to pieces with a hammer.

La Granja, Spain, July 15.—King Alfonso and the Spanish court have left here for San Sebastian. Henry C. Ide, the American minister, and the other diplomatic representatives will follow his majesty to the Spanish watering place.

St. Petersburg, July 15.—King Frederick of Denmark, accompanied by Queen Louise and a royal suite, arrived at Peterhof this afternoon on the Danish royal yacht Dannebrog. They were met by Emperor Nicholas, the two emperors and the queen of Greece. The visit of King Frederick, which will last about one week, is a family affair. No general festivities have been arranged, excepting a minor one, the troops of the Kranso-Selo, and there may be a diplomatic reception at the winter palace.

TREMELOUS EXCITEMENT

IN PHILADELPHIA.

Five Story Brick Building, in Course of Reconstruction, Collapsed—32 Persons Buried, Seven Killed, Many Seriously Injured.

Philadelphia, July 15.—In one of the busiest sections of the city, and at a time when thousands of pedestrians were passing to and fro, the five story brick building at the northeast corner of Eleventh and Market streets, which was being reconstructed for the United Gas Trust, collapsed today, burying under its ruins 32 persons, several of whom are dead, one is missing, one fatally injured, and 34 more or less seriously injured.

Those killed were workmen employed by Sax & Abbott, contractors.

The two lower floors of the building had been torn down and the three upper floors were braced by heavy timbers and steel girders. It is supposed that the moving of one of the girders loosened the structure.

The crash came without warning, and the roar of the collapse was heard for blocks.

A general alarm was sounded, and police, firemen, ambulances, physicians and nurses responded hurriedly, and for hours worked among the ruins.

Business along Market street was paralyzed, and tremendous excitement ensued as the news spread to other sections of the city. Friends and relatives of the workmen came in scores, and the women shrieked and drew away as the mangled bodies of the corpses from the wreckage.

After the sidewalks had been cleared, the interior of the building reduced to a pile of twenty feet high was exposed, and the three upper floors were seen to have fallen.

The entire fourth floor of the building lay against the side of the adjoining building, cutting off air in a section twenty feet square, where it is believed the victims were buried.

Workmen tonight continued digging in the ruins.

SUBMARINE SUNK

WITH THIRTEEN MEN.

Run Down by Cargo Steamship Off English Coast—Two Other Submarines in Collision.

Cromer, England, July 15.—The British submarine designated as C 11 was sunk last night by the cargo steamship Edgemoor at a point about 10 miles off the coast of the Humber.

Thirteen members of the vessel's crew went to the bottom, and only three were saved. Lieutenant Brodie and Watkins are among the survivors. The third man probably was a sailor.

The cruiser Bonaventure, with a flotilla of eight submarines, was proceeding on a summer cruise, when the Edgemoor ran into the submarine and collided with C 11. The submarine was badly stove in and went down immediately. With the exception of the three men mentioned, the crew did not have time or opportunity to save themselves.

The submarines C 16 and C 17 in endeavoring to avoid a collision with the freighter ran into each other. C 17 was damaged, but there were no fatalities on board either craft.

Battleships and cruisers with ample salvage appliances were signalled for and reached the scene in the course of the morning. C 11 lies in fifteen fathoms of water. Wire hawsers have been passed under her and it is hoped that she can be raised at once.

PREFER TO REMAIN OUT.

Newark Striking Hatters Voted on Returning to Work.

Newark, N. J., July 15.—Union hatters in this city have seen on a strike since last January, voted today on the question of returning to work on the question of returning to work without the restoration of the union label, the removal of which prevented the strike in the shops throughout the east. While tellers had not finished counting the vote late tonight, indications were that the sentiment was strongly against returning to work. Only part of the count showed 399 against returning to one in favor of the proposal.

A vote under similar conditions was also taken at Orange, N. J. The final count for both cities gave Newark, in favor of returning, 6; against returning, 1,570. Orange, in favor of returning, 6; against returning, 1,467.

NEW DIRIGIBLE TORPEDO.

Great Things Claimed for Projectile Patented by Swedish Inventor.

Stockholm, July 15.—A new dirigible torpedo recently patented by a Swedish inventor has aroused great interest in Swedish naval circles. The projectile is operated by electricity. It is said to have a range of 5,000 yards and its course can be altered, while submerged, from the point of departure at the will of the operator. It can be exploded whenever desired and it has a speed of thirty knots an hour at any depth.

Son Born to Princess de Sagan.

Paris, July 15.—A son was born today to the Princess de Sagan, who was Miss Anna Gould of New York. Prince de Sagan and Mrs. de Sagan were married July 7, 1908, following her divorce from Count Boni de Castellane.

The birth of a son not only secures the succession to the Sagan title, but means a Sagan heir, presumptively to share the fortune of Princess Sagan with her three children by her previous marriage, with Count Boni de Castellane. The life of the prince and princess has recently been described by friends as exceedingly happy.

Parade of the Elks at Los Angeles.

Los Angeles, Cal., July 15.—With many gorgeous floats in line, scores of Elks' clubs and drill corps marched today through the streets of Los Angeles. The parade was viewed by what was said to be the largest crowd ever assembled here. The pageant was more than two miles in length.

Evelyn Thaw's Lips Unsealed

STRONG POINT SCORED BY THE STATE IN ITS FIGHT.

SHE FEARS HER HUSBAND

Damaging Testimony Against Harry

He Threatened to Kill Her if He Was Ever Released from Matteawan

White Plains, N. Y., July 15.—Harry K. Thaw's lips, little by little, are opening today and giving damaging testimony against him. It was the strongest point scored so far by the state in its fight to keep Thaw in the asylum for the criminal insane, at Matteawan. He demands his release through habeas corpus procedure on the ground that he is a sane man. When today's session was concluded adjournment was taken until July 26.

Expressed Fear While Testifying.

For three days the state has been trying to bring out that Thaw threatened to bring his wife to the Matteawan, as a means of showing his sanity. Blocked at first by objections which were sustained by the court, Thaw's attorney at last failed to show that the alleged conversation at Matteawan was confidential, as between man and wife, and when Evelyn Thaw took the witness chair this afternoon her lips were unsealed. And she told, as if in fear, what Thaw's lawyer has sought most to keep back, of his alleged threat to take her life if he were released from the asylum.

Whether assumed or not, the trim figure in blue expressed fear while she was testifying. She was quoted as saying that she had been terrified because of the treatment she had received at the hands of the Thaw family, but on the stand she apparently struggled hard not to tell, and when compelled to do so by the court, she obeyed reluctantly and tearfully.

"Threatened to Take My Life When Released."

"Did Harry K. Thaw threaten to take your life when released directly by Deputy Attorney General Clarke?"

"Did he at any time say this to you, or this in substance: 'I shall have to kill you when I get out of here'?"

The court room was hushed, and Evelyn Thaw turned appealing to Justice Mills. She begged to be allowed not to answer because she said she knew she would incur his everlasting animosity, and her attitude indicated she thought he might carry out his alleged threat. She also urged, with some show of feeling, that she was still Thaw's wife, and no matter how he had treated her, she did not want to testify against him.

But the court ruled that the only possible ground upon which she could decline to answer was that she feared to incriminate her, and he added he did not see how that would be applicable to her situation.

Then Evelyn Thaw answered. "Yes, he did," she said in a low voice.

"What were his exact words?" demanded Mr. Clarke.

"He said: 'When I get out of here I suppose I will have to kill you.'"

"We were discussing his mental condition. I had asked him what he meant, and he said: 'You know I was not crazy on the night that I shot White,' I asked him again, and he said: 'You know that I missed White by two minutes on the day before.'"

Thaw Denies the Charge.

Harry K. Thaw, when asked about his wife's testimony after court adjourned, said he was not surprised at the attitude, but he emphatically denied that he has ever threatened her life.

"It is very plain to everyone that her story is not true," he said. "I never threatened to kill her. First she says one thing and then another."

"Is it true that you made an attempt on White's life on the day before the homicide was committed?"

"If I had, you would have learned of it before this," replied Thaw.

Unsavoury Details Dragged Out.

Evelyn Thaw on the stand gave a familiar Thaw trial touch to the proceedings, as did some of the other testimony in this unsavoury case.

Tails concerning the career of Stanford White.

Dr. Adolph Meyer of the New York state lunacy commission testified that he had told what Thaw had said to the reasons which led him to shoot Stanford White, principally the alleged debauching of young girls, which Thaw said was carried on in White's various residences.

Anthony Comstock, president of the New York Society for the Suppression of Vice, told of his efforts to assist Thaw in getting sufficient evidence of the practices of the prostitute to prosecute criminally. Up to within a day or two of the tragedy, the witness said he had seen Thaw and obtained data from him in regard to White's conduct. He was of the opinion that Thaw was sane.

Other witnesses told of their experiences with Thaw, when he appeared sane.

Evelyn Terrified by Harry's Threat.

Before leaving White Plains for New York this evening, Evelyn Thaw discussed her testimony today somewhat at variance to her attitude on the stand.

"If the Thaw family had done the right thing by me, I would never have taken the witness stand to testify against my husband," she said. "But they wouldn't guarantee me the allowance I asked for when the annulment proceedings were begun. If they had done that I could have been far away from here today, and Harry would have a better chance of getting his liberty."

"I don't know what I shall do now. I have no idea what my future course will be. I must go out and get a living somehow. Can't go back to the stage. My notoriety would prohibit that. The public would say I testified against my husband to get work as a model. I can do it, too, I am sure."

"Often I feel sorry I ever saw the stage at all. As a model I can be a good girl and earn enough to keep me. I can hope for nothing from my husband's family and that's my position in a few words."

"If I had not been compelled I would never have testified against Mr. Thaw. But when my husband cut my allowance to \$75 a week and \$200 a month he left me with many debts on my hands. I used my allowance to clear off my debts. My studio costs \$95 a month, and I have to buy food and clothes, and the money I get is not more than enough to get along on."

"The questionable fame of this trial will follow me wherever I may go for years and years, and I am living so cheaply as I can. I am Harry Thaw's wife, but I pay the rent. The landlord sends the bills to me. I don't know whether or not my husband will harm me if he is released. He has made one threat, though, and that has terrified me."

"Do you think he is insane?" she was asked.

"I cannot answer that," she replied. "I don't want to."

Condensed Telegrams

Fire Destroyed Nine Buildings in the business section of Austin, Potter county, Pa.

Commissioner Williams visited Secretary Nagel and described the work at Ellis Island.

J. J. Hill Called on President Taft and Speaker Cannon, but did not discuss the tariff.

The Suffragettes in Holloway Jail are giving the prison authorities considerable trouble.

Mrs. J. D. Daniels and Frederick Bull were suffocated while asleep during a fire at Scranton, Pa.

It is Reported in Tokio that Ambassador Takahira will not return to his post at Washington.

E. C. Brockmeyer of St. Louis was appointed to a confidential position in the postoffice department.

Ratifications of the American-German treaty for the reciprocal protection of patents were exchanged.

The Georgia Senate Passed a Bill making it a penal offense to utter defamatory remarks about a woman.

The Family of a New York Farmer has developed a disease believed to be anthrax, which was caught from cows.

Californians Have Objected to Mexico's agreement with American races and the concession may be rescinded.

North Vernon, Ind., is to vote on a proposition to substitute four public wells for the fifteen saloons in the town.

General Piquant, French minister of war, was thrown from his horse during the military review at Long Champs.

E. Stank, one of the German-American marksmen attending the schutzenfest at Hamburg, was ordered to leave the country.

Mrs. Edward J. Helmutt, a young bride of New York, was shot while attempting to prevent her husband from ending his life.

Representatives of the Chinese government ridicule the stories that Leon Ling is being protected on the grounds that Elsie Sigel committed suicide.

Capt. James C. Gilmore, U. S. N., who is now in command of the battleship Illinois, has been assigned to command the armored cruiser Maryland.

The Steamer Trunks full of the missing books of the United Copper company have been found in a house on West Fifty-fifth street, New York.

Fireman William Parry and Brakeman William Brown were killed when a New York, Susquehanna and Western train was wrecked in a cave-in over a mine near Scranton, Pa.

Frank E. McMillan of Altoona, Pa., shot and killed his wife while firing through a window at William E. McDowell, who was calling on Mrs. McMillan.

CIGARMAKER MURDERED.

HAD DISPLAYED HIS MONEY.

Suspect Committed Suicide When He Was About to Be Arrested.

Port Huron, Mich., July 15.—Louis Rosenberg, a Cleveland cigarmaker, was murdered early this morning on a lonely island in the St. Clair flats. A few hours later Frank Elbera, another resident of Cleveland, who is charged with the murder, was also dead from a dose of poison, self-administered, when he found arrest imminent. A third Cleveland man, Sam Frisbie, held at the county jail here tonight as an accomplice, and has made a confession.

Three men attended a dance to celebrate last night, and Rosenberg showed a large sum of money. This morning his body was found about 500 feet from the dance hall. When officers arrived they found that the dead man's money was gone.

As the officers returned to the hotel, with which the dance hall is connected, they heard Elbera, who was inside, scream: "I've taken poison. Help!" They rushed to the man's aid, but he died in a few moments. In his suit case was nearly \$200 in money. A few minutes later the officers took into custody Elbera's roommate, Frisbie.

NEW YORK MILLIONAIRE'S

WIFE MISSING FOUR WEEKS.

Two Detectives Follow a Clue Leading to Warren, R. I.

Warren, R. I., July 15.—The search for the missing wife of a New York millionaire, led to this town this afternoon, according to information given to the police by two detectives, a man and a woman, who had with them the credentials of the New York police department.

The man would not divulge the name of the missing woman, but did state that he had traced her to the summer colony at Sakonnet Point to Warren. The New York woman, he said, had been missing for four weeks.

DISHWASHER STOLE \$50.75

From Other Employees in a Waterbury Restaurant—Captured in New Haven.

Waterbury, Conn., July 15.—The police tonight learned that the boy who had been taken from a local restaurant last night shortly after he was engaged as a dishwasher with \$50.75, which he had stolen from the pockets of other employees, and who was captured in New Haven, is Rene Joseph Brodner, aged 19 years, of Holyoke, Mass., an escaped inmate of the insane retreat at Norampton, Mass.

This is the second time that the boy has gained his freedom from the Massachusetts institution, and in December, 1907, he was captured in this city. Brodner is said to have a mania for arson.

Dartmouth College Changes President.

Hanover, N. H., July 15.—Dartmouth college passed from the presidency of William Jewett Tucker to Ernest Fox Nichols of Columbia today without ceremony. The formal installation exercises will be held next October, when the student body returns. President Nichols was not here, and ex-President Tucker passed the day at his home a short distance from the college.

Glidden Tourists' Hardest Day's Ride.

Lacrosse, Wis., July 15.—After the hardest day's ride of the course thus far, over roads filled with rocks and heavy with sand, mounting and descending high hills and traversing marshy country, the Glidden tourists all arrived in Lacrosse in good condition late this afternoon.

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Bar Harbor Car Derailed

THE TRAIN DELAYED FOR SEVERAL HOURS.

ACCIDENT AT SAYBROOK

Switch Split While Train Was Backing Into Another Track at Junction

—Passengers Severely Shaken Up.

Saybrook Junction, Conn., July 15.—One of the cars of the Bar Harbor express on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad was derailed here tonight and the train delayed for several hours.

Split a Switch.

The train left here at 9.55 and on reaching the junction started to back on to another track, splitting a switch. Passengers Shaken.

The trucks of one of the cars dropped to the tracks, giving the passengers a severe shaking up. The wrecking crew from New Haven placed the car back on the track.

HARVARD BRIDGE UNSAFE.

Commission of Engineers Reports So and Repairs Will Start on Monday.

Cambridge, Mass., July 15.—The famous Harvard bridge, connecting Cambridge and Boston, was declared to be unsafe today by a commission of Boston and Cambridge engineers, and work will be started on Monday to strengthen it.

The commission was appointed to investigate the condition of the bridge several weeks ago, when conditions were first found to be unsatisfactory. The commission finds that all of the iron and steel beams of the bridge, which is nearly three-quarters of a mile long, will have to be replaced by new ones, at the same time the draw will be elevated slightly and new supporting put on. The Boston Elevated Railway company, which operates its cars across the bridge, is ordered to install new rails and new supports.

FRIEDRICH WILHELM AGROUND.

Steamship Leaving for Bremen Gets Into Trouble Down the Bay.

New York, July 15.—The steamship Prinz Friedrich Wilhelm, which left her pier today for Bremen, ran aground in the Ambrose channel on her way down the bay.

She is in an easy position and, it is expected, will be released on the rising tide.

The ship struck the mudbank about ten minutes before 11 o'clock, within an hour of low tide.

She has 317 first class, 167 second class and 432 steerage passengers on board.

Word was received at the North German Lloyd office in this city a short time after the accident occurred, that Captain Moller went down to give what assistance he could.

HELIOGRAPH IN FORESTRY.

Experiments to Be Made with View to Supplement Telephones.

Washington, July 15.—In order to ascertain whether the heliograph can be successfully utilized in the national forests to report fire, and transmit other messages in areas where there is no quick method of communication, experiments with instruments like those in the United States army will be made during the summer in the Kanabau national forest in Idaho and on the Stanislaus forest in California. If satisfactory, the heliograph will be used to supplement the telephone lines and other means of communication in the forests where easy and quick communication in connection with the fire patrol is essential for protection against fires on the 195,000,000 acres of national lands.

VEERLAND HURT PLAYING BALL.

New York Congressman Falls and Breaks Collarbone.

Washington, July 15.—Representative Edward B. Veerland of New York, while practicing on the Monument lot yesterday for the congressional baseball team, was injured by a repulsive and democratic team of the house tomorrow, fell and broke his collarbone and dislocated his right shoulder. Mr. Veerland was taken to the Emergency hospital near by and is reported today to be doing nicely.

EARTHQUAKE IN GREECE.

Several Villages Destroyed—Many People Perished in Elis Province.

Athens, Greece, July 15.—An earthquake has occurred in the province of Elis, the capital of which is Pyrgos. Several villages were destroyed and many people perished. The material loss is heavy.

Persuaded by Catholic Priest to Surrender.

Hudson, Mass., July 15.—After John A. Magory had shot his wife twice tonight during a family quarrel, he barricaded himself in the house and resisted successfully the efforts of the police and fire department to dislodge him, until Rev. John T. Mallin, a Roman Catholic priest, entered the house and persuaded Magory to come down from the attic, where he had been hiding.

Western Maryland Railroad Reorganization.

Baltimore, Md., July 15.—The News today states that under the form of reorganizing the Western Maryland railroad the capitalization will be: Preferred stock, \$10,000,000; common stock, \$20,000,000; first mortgage 4 per cent. bonds, \$50,000,000, of which \$7,252,000 is reserved to take up underlying liens. It is generally understood that the assessment will be \$20 a share.

\$3,500 Fire in Bridgeport Boiler Works.

Bridgeport, Conn